



Rivers Management and Protection Program Protected River Sign Opportunity within State Right-of-Ways



New Hampshire's 14 designated rivers are recognized by the United States Congress, the New Hampshire General Court, and their local municipalities as significant resources. As a result of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), the N.H. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (DES) created signs that may be installed within state right-of-ways. The newly designed signs will provide the opportunity to recognize and raise awareness of New Hampshire's Designated Rivers and signifies a designated river's importance to the state's natural and cultural heritage.

Sign Locations

The signs will be erected upon state highways, other than interstate highways, divided portions of the N.H. Turnpike System, and limited access highways. The signs will be placed within the states right-of-ways, at bridge crossings of the designated river. Approval for sign installations must be received from DOT and DES before a sign is installed. To obtain approval, fill out the form on the reverse side and submit to DES. One form must be submitted for each location.

Sign Measurement

The primary sign is 30 inches long and 12 inches high. The secondary sign is 24 inches square. The signs will be mounted on a steel U-post or other posts that meet the requirements of the MOA and as depicted in the adjacent graphic.

Estimated Cost

DES will provide funding for primary river signs and secondary river signs if funding is available. If funding is not available, the local advisory committee is responsible for finding funding to cover all costs associated with the production and installation of the signs. Upon

approval by DES, signs must be ordered from the N.H. Department of Corrections Sign Shop, 271-1874.



Primary sign (\$23) + Secondary sign (\$40) + Sign post/hardware (\$25) = \$88

Please note that it is expected that most locations will require two sets of signs, one facing traffic on either side of the road. Therefore, two sign sets cost \$176.

Questions

Please contact Laura Weit, NHDES Lakes and Rivers Assistant Planner, at (603) 271-8811 or lweit@des.state.nh.us.



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Installation Permission Form

In the box provided please draw a site map indicating the location of the designated river, the route number or road name, bridge, and proposed location of sign installation showing the distance from the edge of the pavement. Use one form per site. Also identify the distance the designated river sign will be located from a nearby recognizable intersection. Please be as accurate as possible.

I acknowledge and agree to all criteria listed in the Memorandum of Agreement between the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation.

Elected or Authorized Municipal Official

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Chair of Local Advisory Committee

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return to: Rivers Management and Protection Program
NH Department of Environmental Services
PO Box 95
Concord NH, 03302-0095

Or fax to: (603) 271-7894

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Proposed sign location(s) site map